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## **BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

## TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012 5:30 P.M.

STEPHEN P CLARK GOVERNMENT CENTER 111 NORTHWEST FIRST STREET CONFERENCE ROOM, 18-4 (18<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR) MIAMI, FL 33128

#### AGENDA

- I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - a. February 28, 2012
- IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS
- V. PRESENTATIONS
  - a. Miami-Dade Transit Pedestrian Safety Campaign: Julio Rey, MDT
  - b. M-Path Master Plan Project: Orlando Capote, MDT
  - c. FDOT Report: Stewart Robertson, KHA
  - d. Miami Bike Program Report: Collin Worth, Miami
  - e. Miami-Dade Public Works Report: Jeff Cohen, MDPW-WM
- VI. INFORMATION
  - a. BPAC Attendance
  - b. Traffic Skills 101 Course: April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - c. M-Path Extension Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: April 5<sup>th</sup>
- VII. MEMBER COMMENTS
  - a. Lee Marks: Rickenbacker Proposal by Bernard Zyscovich
  - b. Xavier Falconi: BPAC Agenda Material

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## **BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

## **MINUTES**

MEETING OF TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Brett Bibeau (Chair), Eric Tullberg (Vice-Chair), David Chambers, Stephanie Cornejo, Xavier Falconi, Ken Groce, Anne-Marie Jonckheer, Susan Marie Kairalla, Lee Marks, Larry Thorson, Matthew Toro, Dr. Michelina Witte

MEMBERS ABSENT Alex Dominguez, Pedro Gonzalez, Dr. Carolina Gutierrez, Roger Williams

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

David Henderson, MPOLt. Jose J. Colon, MDPDGeorge EdwardsStewart Robertson, KHACraig Chester, TransitMiami.comMarkus WagnerCollin Worth, MiamiJohn Hopkins, Green Mob. Net.Enda WalshJeff Cohen, MDPWJeremy Gauger, ArchitechtonicaAndres Viglucci, Miami Herald

Orlando Capote, MDT Bernard Zyscovich

The meeting began at 5:31 p.m.				
AGENDA ITEM	<u>NOTES</u>			
I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	-			
II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	- Member comments should be moved up first on the agenda. Moti to approve as amended made by Eric Tullberg, seconded by M Toro and approved unanimously.			
III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES, January 24, 2012	- Motion to approve made by Larry Thorson, seconded by Ken Groce and approved unanimously.			
IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS	- George Edwards: The M-Path extension bridge over the Snapper Creek Expressway looks large compared to other bridges in Denma It might be easier to put up a smaller bridge and plan to rebuild it in case of a major storm.			
VII. MEMBER COMMENTS	<ul> <li>Eric Tullberg: 3/30: Green Mobility Network mixer at Chalks on Miami Beach; 4/3, 6:00 pm: US-1 Express meeting at Coral Reef Library; 4/5, 10:00 am: M-Path Extension ribbon cutting. 296 bike were parked in the bike valet at the Deering Seafood Festival on 3/2 Matt Toro: 4/27: A Queen's Day celebration sponsored by the Dutc Consulate to be held at Grand Central Park after Critical Mass ride. Xavier Falconi: The bike lanes on 5<sup>th</sup> St from Collins Ave to Alton Road are complete.</li> <li>Lee Marks: Architect Bernard Zyscovich will present some ideas for improving the Rickenbacker Causeway based on the concepts of         <ul> <li>Change the functional classification from Principal Arterial Minor Arterial</li> <li>Reduce the 3-lane sections to two lanes in each direction</li> <li>Expand bicycle and pedestrian facilities</li> <li>Designate the Rickenbacker Causeway as a park.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
	In addition, one of the tollbooth lanes should be devoted to bicyclis only; the bike lane within Crandon Park should be widened, and the			

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		movement of bicycles from the causeway to the south should be improved. Also, open space along the causeway should be evaluated for use as recreational facilities. Some of these ideas are already in development and the long-term vision for the Causeway needs to include input from all the stakeholders, including the Village of Key Biscayne.  Motion by Lee Marks to support the proposal presented by Bernard Zyscovich, seconded by Ken Groce and approved unanimously.
V. PRESENTATIONS		
a. MIAMI DADE TRANSIT PEDESTRIAN SAFETY CAMPAIGN: Julio Rey, MDT	-	MDT is reviving the WalkSafe pedestrian safety campaign for use in Metrorail cars, on Metrobuses, in bus shelters and on the website. The six message posters will be updated and run periodically beginning with one targeting transit patrons. MDT has control over shelters on county property, and will work with the City of Miami to put posters in their shelters as well.
b. M-PATH MASTER PLAN PROJECT: Orlando Capote, MDT	-	Miami-Dade Transit is continuing to implement the recommendations of the M-Path Master Plan developed in 2007. Surface repair and edge treatments have been done and MDT has begun designing intersection and other improvements. In general, curb ramps will be widened to trail width, intersection approaches will be straightened, wayfinding signage will be added where the path branches, the gap at the UM will be constructed and warning signs will be added for motorists on US-1 and the intersecting streets. In addition to the intersections that MDT is improving, recommendations that fall within the jurisdiction of a municipality or FDOT will be forwarded for their action.  Design is schedule through October and then permitting and the selection of a contractor will follow.
c. FDOT Project Update: Stewart Robertson, KHA		In addition to the regular projects that are reviewed, the FDOT Bike/Ped Coordinator is now reviewing municipal projects that are funded by FDOT. These include the Park and Recreation Dept's Black Creek Trail between Black Point Marina and Larry and Penny Thompson Park; and the Biscayne Trail (Segment "C") between Black Creek Park and Homestead Bayfront Park. Each project includes a trail to increase access. Projects reviewed in the past month include:  NW /NE 82/81 St: includes bike lanes from NW 12 Ct to Biscayne Blvd  NW 27 Ave: includes a wide curb lane from NW 122 St to NW 135 St  Lejeune Rd from Ponce de Leon Blvd to Villabella Ave: includes trail warning signs at M-Path intersection  NW 135 St: includes bike lanes from NW 27 Ave to NW 8 Ave  New projects being scoped for improvement include:  Miami Gardens Dr: NE 20 Pl to US-1

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- NW 119 St from NW 7 Ave to West Dixie Hwy
- NE 6 Ave from NE 110 Terr to NE 125 St shared lane markings would connect to SLMs on NE 125 St and Griffing Blvd
- SW 112 Ave @ HEFT: includes bike lanes through interchange
- SW 107 Ave from Coral Way to SW 11 St: includes wide curb lanes

A PD&E study for Krome Ave between SW 296 St and SW 136 St is underway which includes bike lanes and a paved path on the west side of the road. This will connect to the Krome Ave resurfacing from SW 296 St to US-1 which includes bike lanes and improvements to the southernmost section of Bike Route M. The legislature has approved an evaluation of allowing bicycles on bridges that are classified as "limited access." Each FDOT district will propose a bridge but only three will be included. Motion to recommend the Lehman Causeway for inclusion in the FDOT evaluation made by Ken Groce, seconded by Eric Tullberg and approved unanimously.

# d. MIAMI BIKE PROJECT REPORT: Collin Worth, Miami

Thanks to everyone that came to the Florida Bike Month resolution presentation at the City Commission. The City is developing a resurfacing project for SW 1 Ave from SW 7 St to SW 15 Rd that will include colored bike lanes, curb extensions and narrower lanes to improve access around the Brickell Village development and to the Metrorail station. FDOT has agreed to set the speed limit on Coral Way between SW 37 Ave and SW 12 Ave at 35 mph and include shared lane markings in the resurfacing. Improvements to Arthur Lamb Jr Road on Virginia Key are being considered by the City although this is not actually a street just an access drive to the water treatment plant and mountain bike park.

## e. MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Jeff Cohen. MDPW

- Based on input from the public MDPW has looked at three strategies to improve safety on the Rickenbacker Causeway
  - Buffered bike lanes on the bridges: a second line to define the bike lane can be added within the travel lane
  - Additional speed radar signs: the on-going enhanced speed enforcement makes it impossible to evaluate the effects of the existing signs but information from other cities is being reviewed
- Reducing the speed limit: the BPAC has supported 35 mph throughout and reducing higher speeds to 40 is also an option In addition, a fourth option, coloring the bike lanes, is now available, based on a change in the federal regulations. Using green paint at conflict zones, where the bike lane crosses an driveway or exit, is allowed as a traffic control device.

#### VI. INFORMATION

a. BPAC Attendance	-	The BPAC attendance report was distributed.
b. Traffic Skills 101 Course: April 1	:	The Traffic Skill bike safety course scheduled for April 1 <sup>st</sup> at Tropical Park will be rescheduled.
c. M-Path Extension Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: April 5 <sup>th</sup>	-	MDT will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony for the M-Path extension on Thursday, April 5 <sup>th</sup> at the Dadeland North Metrorail Station.

• The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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